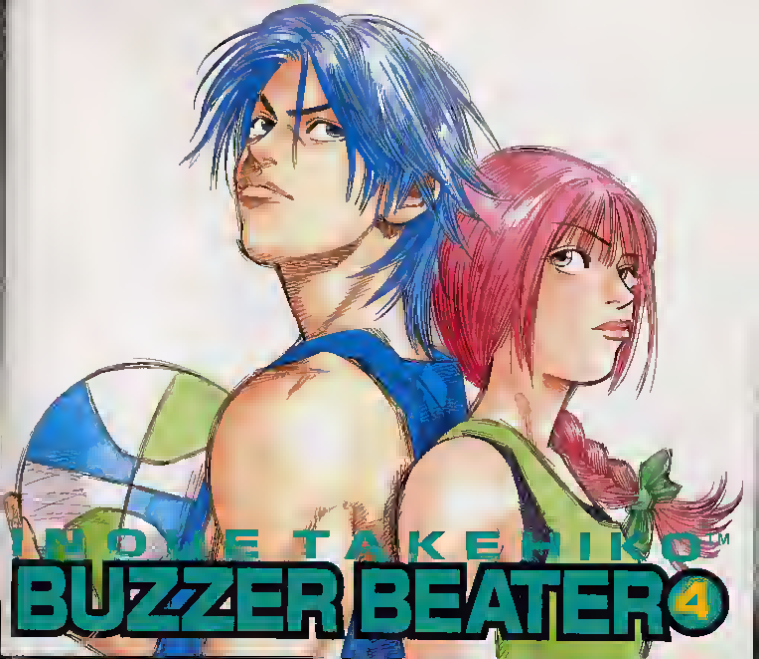
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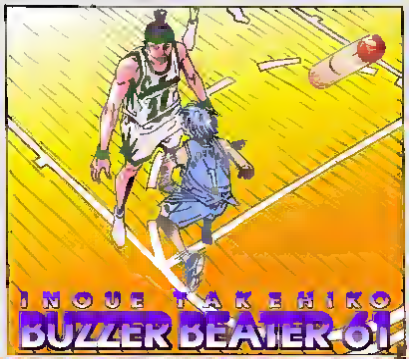
BUZZER BEATER 4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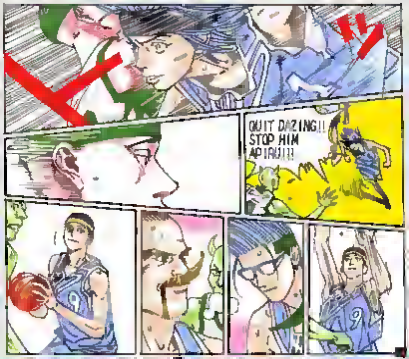
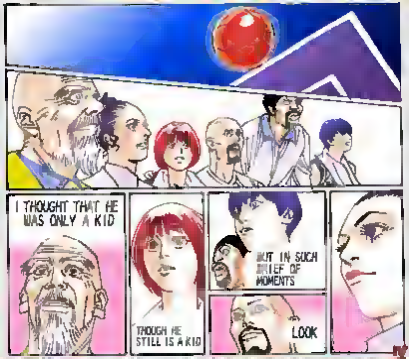
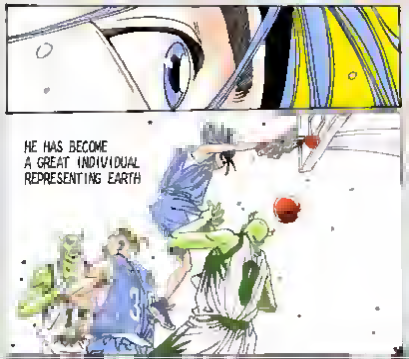
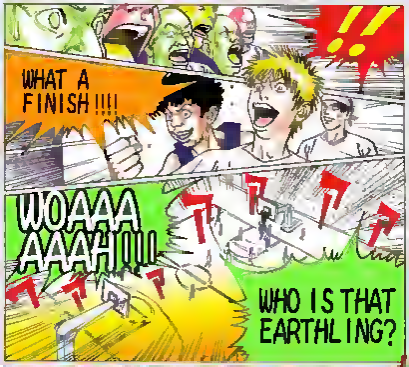
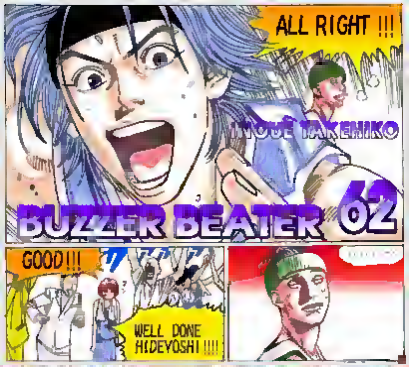
BUZZER BEATER 61


QUIT DAZING!!
STOP HIM
AP'TAU!!!


I THOUGHT THAT HE WAS ONLY A KID
THOUGH HE STILL IS A KID
BUT IN SUCH BRIEF OF MOMENTS
LOOK


HE HAS BECOME
A GREAT INDIVIDUAL
REPRESENTING EARTH


WHAT A FINISH !!!!
!!
WOAAA AAAH!!!
WHO IS THAT EARTHLING?


ALL RIGHT !!!
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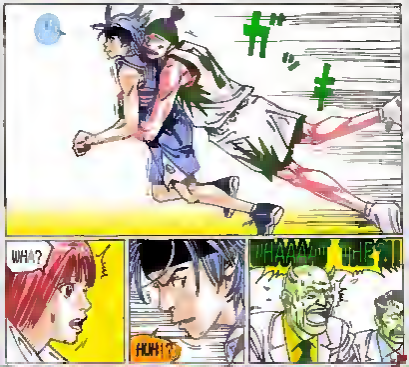
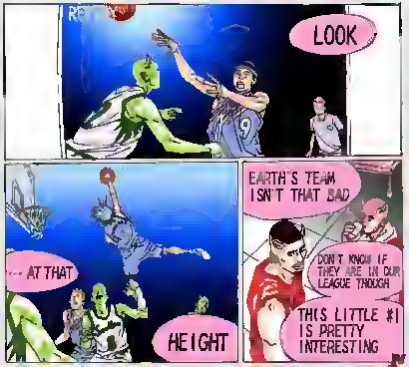
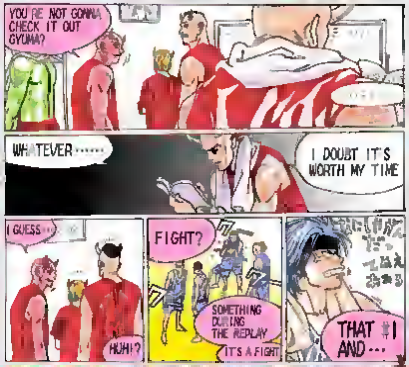
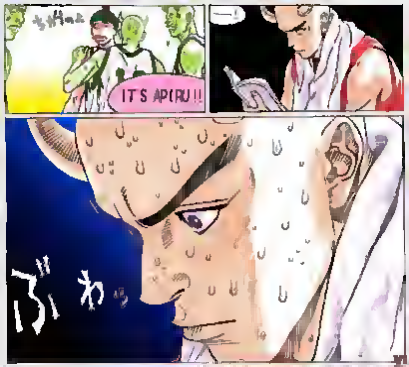
BUZZER BEATER 62
GOOD!!!
WELL DONE HIDEYOSHI !!!!


WHA?
HUH!?
WHAAAAT THE?!


LOOK
AT THAT
HEIGHT
EARTH'S TEAM ISN'T THAT BAD
DON'T KNOW IF THEY ARE IN OUR LEAGUE THOUGH
THIS LITTLE #1 IS PRETTY INTERESTING


YOU'RE NOT GONNA CHECK IT OUT GYUMA?
WHATEVER.....
I DOUBT IT'S WORTH MY TIME
I GUESS...
HUH!?
FIGHT?
SOMETHING DURING THE REPLAY
IT'S A FIGHT
THAT'S I AND...


IT'S APURU!!
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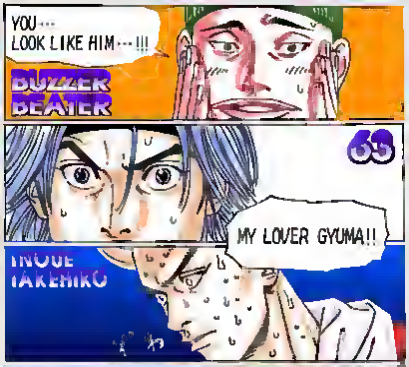
YOU···
LOOK LIKE HIM···!!!
BUZZER BEATER
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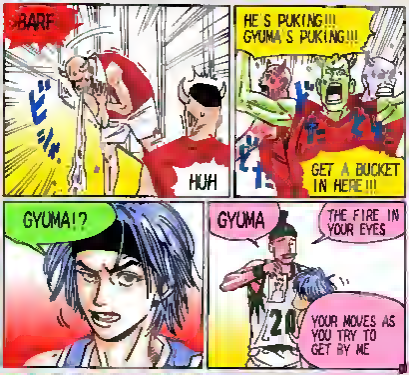
MY LOVER GYUMA!!
INOUE TAKEHIKO


BARF
HUH
HE'S PUKING!!!
GYUMA'S PUKING!!!
GET A BUCKET IN HERE!!!
GYUMA!?
GYUMA
THE FIRE IN YOUR EYES
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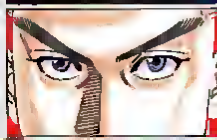
YOUR MOVES AS YOU TRY TO GET BY ME

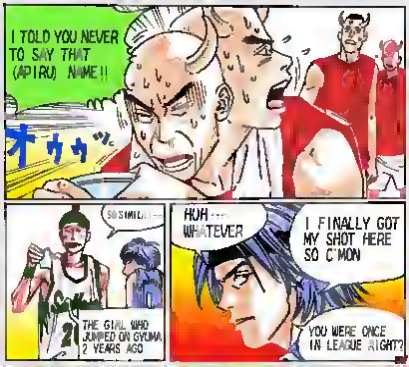
GYUDAN, A LONG TIME SUPERSTAR OF THE INTERGALATIC LEAGUE JUST ANNOUNCED HIS INTENTION TO RETIRE AT THE END OF SEASON

A WAR HAS BROKEN OUT TO FIND THE NEXT MASTER OF THE LEAGUE

AMONG THE MANY CANDIDATES, THE ONE SAID TO BE CLOSEST TO GYUDAN IS



A 19-YEAR OLD MAN CALLED GYUMA


I TOLD YOU NEVER TO SAY THAT (APIRU) NAME!!
オゥゥ…
SO SHIRT...
THE GIRL WHO JUMPED ON GYUMA 2 YEARS AGO
HUH... WHATEVER
I FINALLY GOT MY SHOT HERE SO C'MON
YOU WERE ONCE IN LEAGUE RIGHT?

IF THAT'S ALL YOU GOT THEN YOU REALLY WERE JUST A GIMMICK
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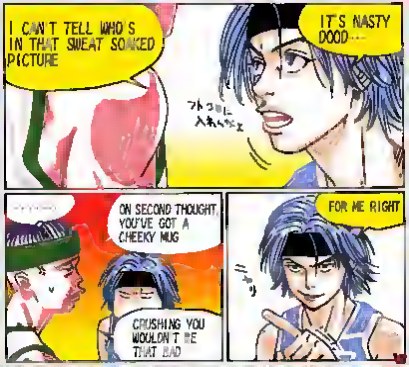
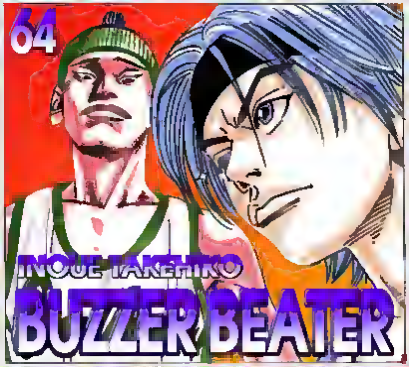
OH DIFFERENT
GYUMA WOULD NEVER SAY THAT
HOW WOULD I KNOW?
!?


I CAN'T TELL WHO'S IN THAT SWEAT SOAKED PICTURE
IT'S NASTY DOOD....
ON SECOND THOUGHT YOU'VE GOT A CHEEKY MUG
CRUSHING YOU WOULDN'T BE THAT BAD
FOR ME RIGHT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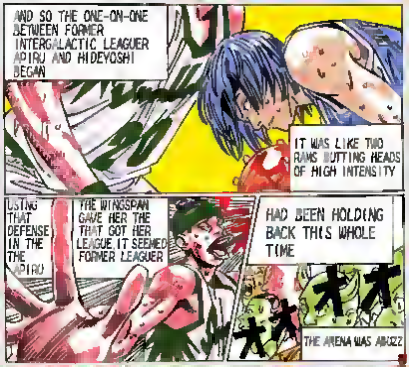
BUZZER BEATER


AND SO THE ONE-ON-ONE BETWEEN FORMER INTERGALACTIC LEAGUER AOIRO AND HIDEYOSHI BEGAN
IT WAS LIKE TWO RAMS BUTTING HEADS OF HIGH INTENSITY
LISTING THAT DEFENSE IN THE THE AOIRO
THE WINGSPAN GAVE HER THE THAT GOT HER LEAGUE IT SEEMED FORMER LEAGUER
HAD BEEN HOLDING BACK THIS WHOLE TIME
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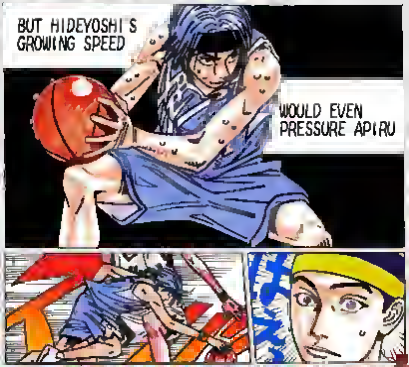
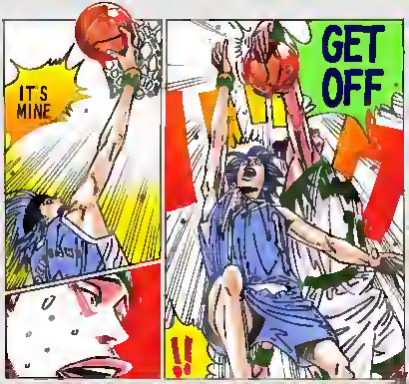
THE ARENA WAS ABUZZ


BUT HIDEYOSHI'S GROWING SPEED
WOULD EVEN PRESSURE APIRU


IT'S MINE
GET OFF
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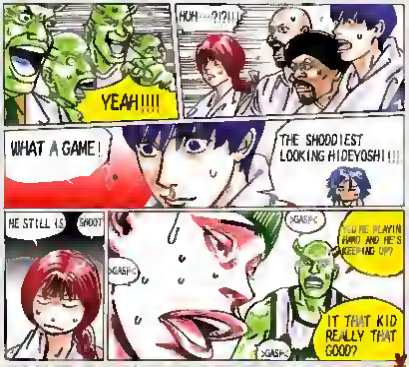
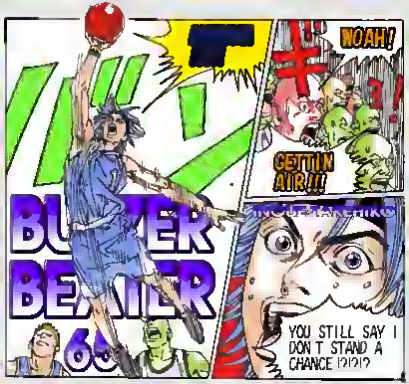
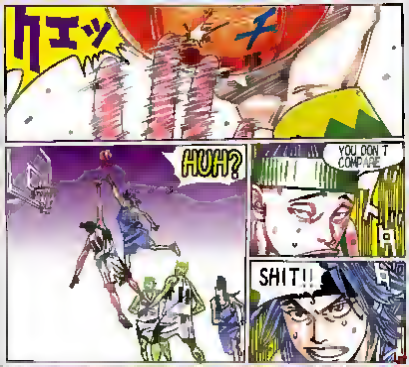

YEAH!!!!
HUH....?!?!!
WHAT A GAME!
THE SHOOTIEST LOOKING HIDEYOSHI!!!
HE STILL IS
SHOOT
>GASP<
>GASP<
>GASP<
>GASP<
YOU'RE PLAYIN (AND HE'S KEEPING ME UP)
IT TAKE KID REALLY THAT GOOD?

HEHEHE...
SAY IT... THAT I'M GOOD
ADMIT IT
YOU WOULDN'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST GYUMA
THAT'S THE TRUTH
REALLY?


NO AH!
GETTIN AIR!!!
YOU STILL SAY I DON'T STAND A CHANCE !?!?!?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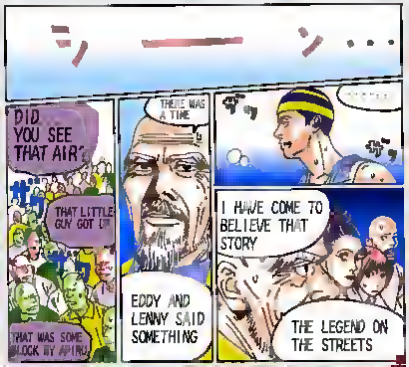
HUH?
YOU DON'T COMPARE
SHIT!!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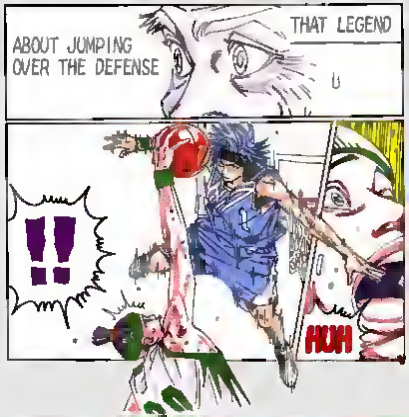
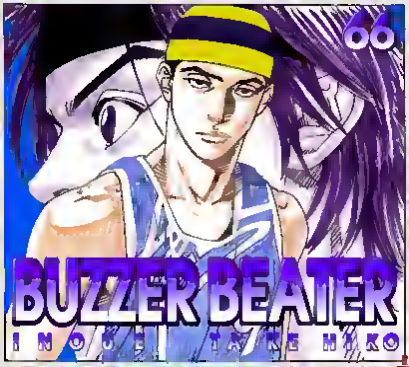
DID YOU SEE THAT AIR?
THAT LITTLE GUY GOT UP
THAT WAS SOME BLOCK BY APPIAH
THERE WAS A TIME
EDDY AND LENNY SAID SOMETHING
I HAVE COME TO BELIEVE THAT STORY
THE LEGEND ON THE STREETS

BITCH !!


ABOUT JUMPING OVER THE DEFENSE
THAT LEGEND
!!
HUH

PERHAPS THAT STORY WAS TRUE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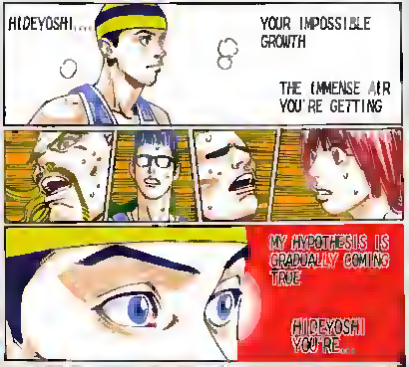
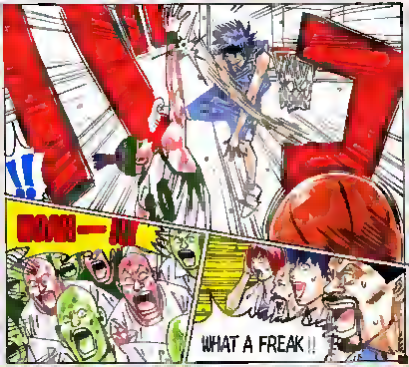
INOUE TAKEHIKO


HIDEYOSHI...
YOUR IMPOSSIBLE GROWTH
THE IMMENSE AIR YOU'RE GETTING
MY HYPOTHESIS IS GRADUALLY COMING TRUE
HIDEYOSHI YOU'RE...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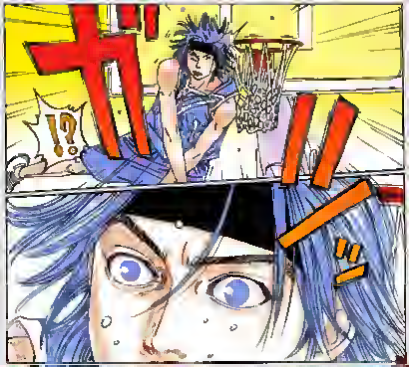
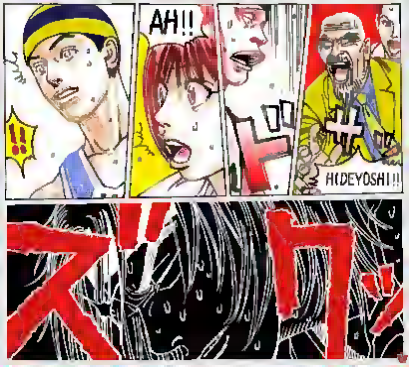
DOOM—!!
WHAT A FREAK!!

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AH!!
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HIDEYOSHI!!
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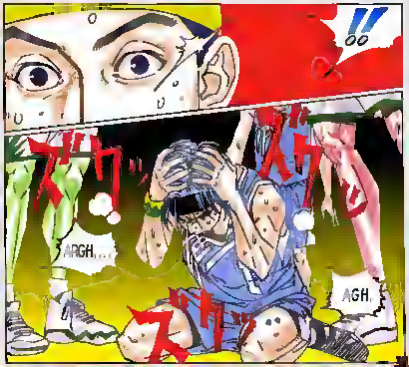
ARGH...
AGH.

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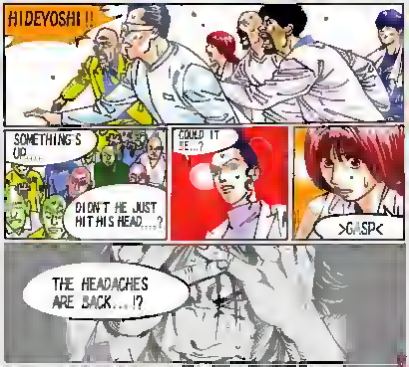
INOUE TAKEHIKO

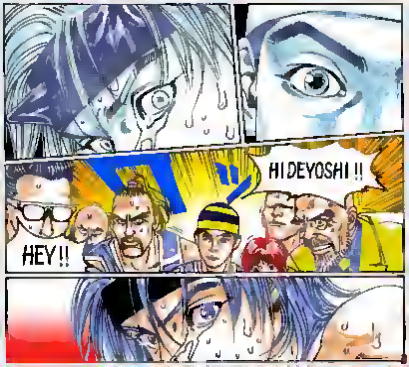
BUZZER BEATER


HIDEYOSHI !!
SOMETHING'S OFF.....
DIDN'T HE JUST HIT HIS HEAD....?
COULD IT BE...?
>GASP<
THE HEADACHES ARE BACK... !?

UH
AGH...
HEY.....
...?
...
UH

ARGH...
AGH
HIDEYOSHI!!
AGH
OH
OH
OH
HIDEYOSHI...
YOU...

YOU REALLY ARE...
ACE


HIDEYOSHI !!
HEY!!

INOUE TAKEHIKO

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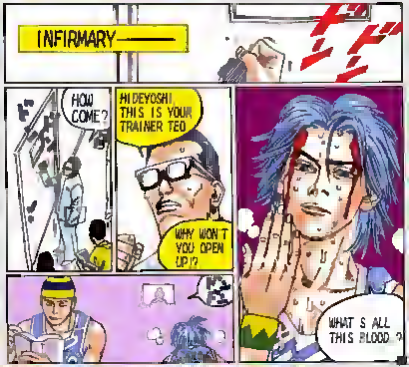
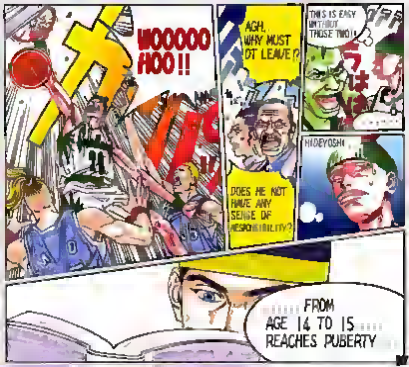
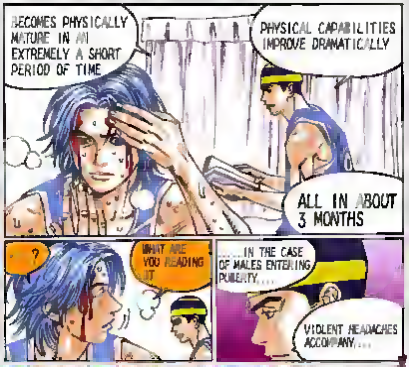

INFIRMARY
HOW COME?
HI DEYOSH! THIS IS YOUR TRAINER TED.
WHY WON'T YOU OPEN UP!?
WHAT'S ALL THIS BLOOD?


HOOOOO HOO!!
AGH, WHY MUST OT LEAVE?
DOES HE NOT HAVE ANY SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY?
THIS IS EASY WITHOUT THOSE TWO!!
HAHAHA
HIDEYOSHI
FROM AGE 14 TO 15 ..... REACHES PUBERTY


BECOMES PHYSICALLY MATURE IN AN EXTREMELY A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME
PHYSICAL CAPABILITIES IMPROVE DRAMATICALLY
ALL IN ABOUT 3 MONTHS
?
WHAT ARE YOU READING IT
...IN THE CASE OF MALES ENTERING PUBERTY...
VIOLENT HEADACHES ACCOMPANY...

THE SPROUTING OF TWO HORNS ——
THE PHYSIOLOGY OF
THE GORANS...

HIDEYOSHI
YOU ARE NOT HUMAN
D T
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INOUE TAKEHIKO

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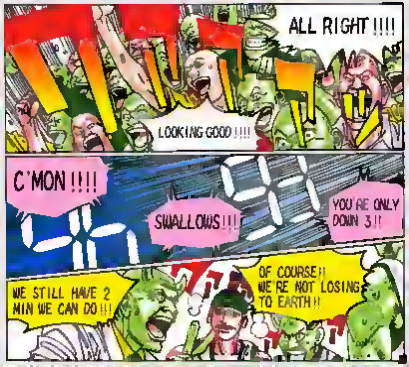
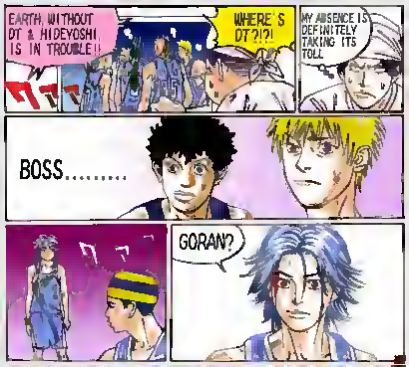
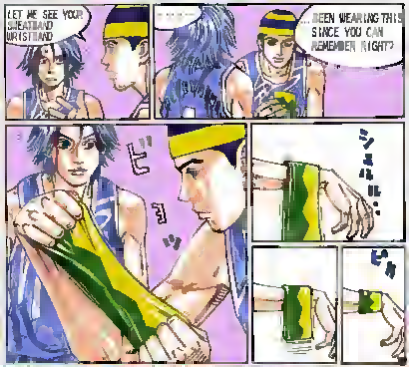
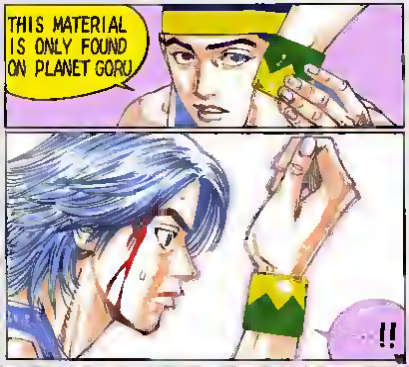
YOU'RE GORAN

BUZZER BEATER


ALL RIGHT!!!!
LOOKING GOOD!!!!
C'MON!!!!
SWALLOWS!!!
YOU'RE ONLY DOWN 3!!
WE STILL HAVE 2 MIN WE CAN DO!!!
OF COURSE!! WE'RE NOT LOSING TO EARTH!!


EARTH WITHOUT DT & HIDEYOSHI IS IN TROUBLE!!
WHERE'S DT?!?!
MY AWSENCE IS DEFINITELY TAKING ITS TOLL
BOSS.....
GORAN?


LET ME SEE YOUR SWEATBAND WRISTBAND
BEEN WEARING THIS SINCE YOU CAN REMEMBER, RIGHT?
シュルル…
ピカ


THIS MATERIAL IS ONLY FOUND ON PLANET GORU
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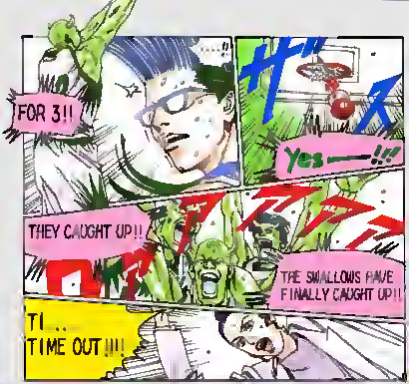
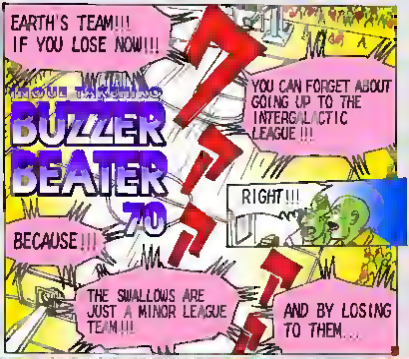

FOR 3!!
Yes——!!!
THEY CAUGHT UP!!
THE SWALLOWS HAVE FINALLY CAUGHT UP!!
TI...
TIME OUT!!!


EARTH'S TEAM!!!
IF YOU LOSE NOW!!!
YOU CAN FORGET ABOUT GOING UP TO THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE!!!
BUZZER BEATER
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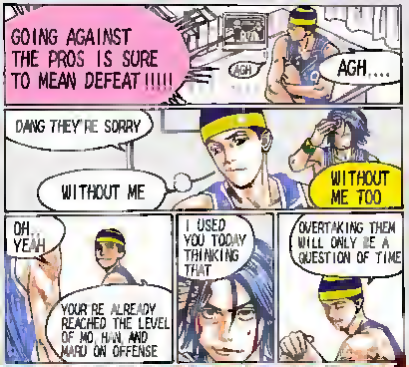
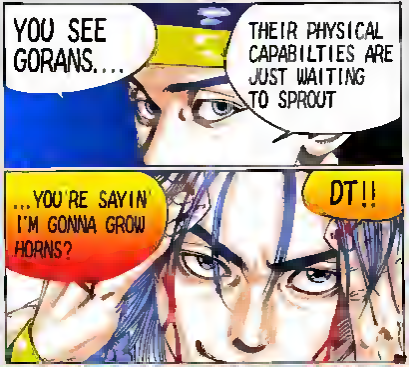
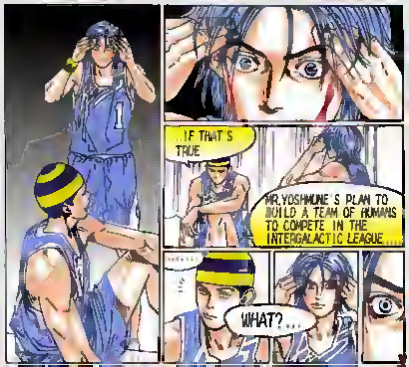
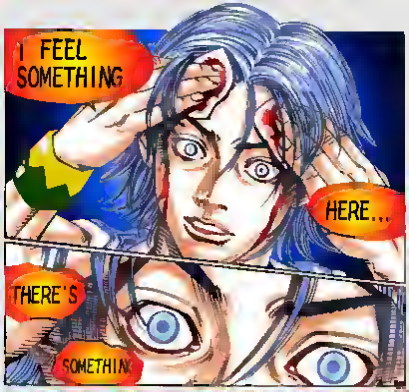
RIGHT!!!
BECAUSE!!!
THE SWALLOWS ARE JUST A MINOR LEAGUE TEAM!!!
AND BY LOSING TO THEM...


GOING AGAINST THE PROS IS SURE TO MEAN DEFEAT!!!!!
AGH
AGH....
DANG THEY'RE SORRY
WITHOUT ME
WITHOUT ME TOO
OH YEAH
YOUR RE ALREADY REACHED THE LEVEL OF MO HAN AND MARO ON OFFENSE
I USED YOU TODAY THINKING THAT
OVERTAKING THEM WILL ONLY BE A QUESTION OF TIME


YOU SEE GORANS....
THEIR PHYSICAL CAPABILITIES ARE JUST WAITING TO SPROUT
...YOU'RE SAYIN' I'M GONNA GROW HORNS?
DT!!


IF THAT'S TRUE
MR.YOSHIMUNE'S PLAN TO BUILD A TEAM OF HUMANS TO COMPETE IN THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE...
WHAT?...


I FEEL SOMETHING
HERE...
THERE'S
SOMETHIN

INOUE TAKEHIKO
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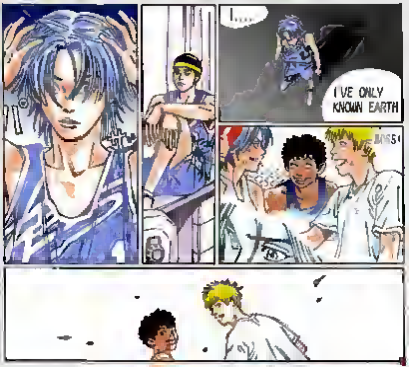
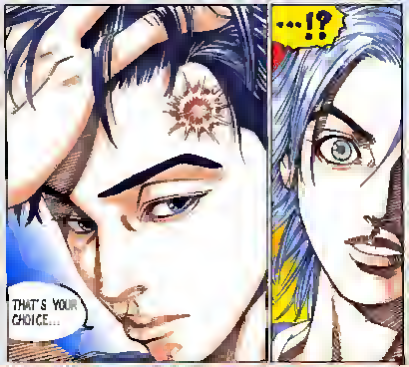
BUZZER BEATER


I.....
I'VE ONLY KNOWN EARTH
BARS!

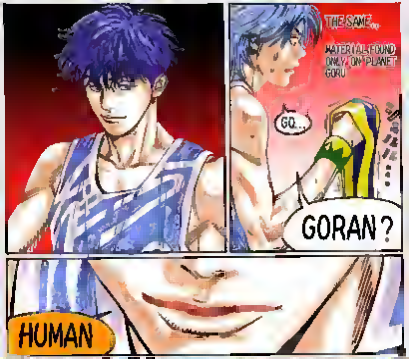
I'M THE ONLY ONE...
THAT'S DIFFERENT
I... I'M NOT HUMAN

BREAKING OFF YOUR HORNS WON'T KILL YOU
...!?
BUT
YOU'LL LOSE ALL OF THE EXPLOSIVE POWER ONLY GORSAMS HAVE

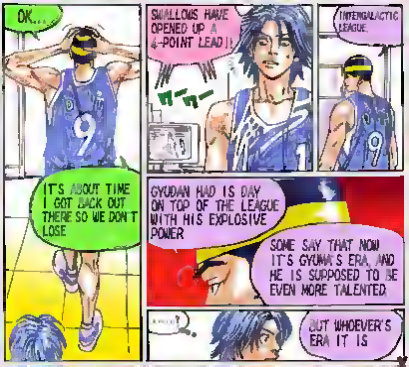

THAT'S YOUR CHOICE...
...!?

INOUE TAKEHIKO
72
BUZZER BEATER

DT... YOU'RE...
WHAT ARE YOU!?
HOHH.


THE SAME...
MATERIAL FOUND ONLY ON PLANET GORU
GO...
GORAN?
HUMAN

IF I WERE GORAN
I'D BE BATTLING WITH GYUMA FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP
I'M HUMAN
.....


OK...
IT'S ABOUT TIME I GOT BACK OUT THERE SO WE DON'T LOSE
SWALLOWS HAVE OPENED UP A 4-POINT LEAD!!
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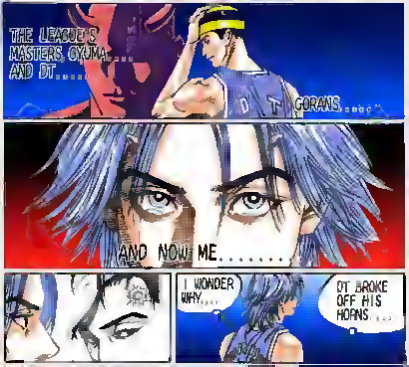
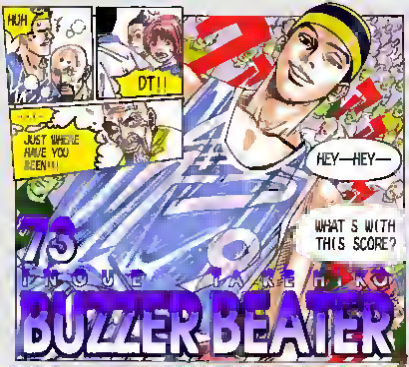
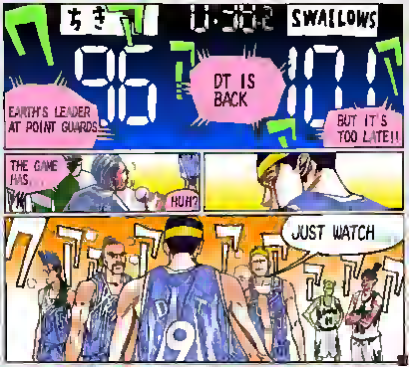
INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE.
GYUDAN HAD IS DAY ON TOP OF THE LEAGUE WITH HIS EXPLOSIVE POWER
SOME SAY THAT NOW IT'S GYUNA'S ERA, AND HE IS SUPPOSED TO BE EVEN MORE TALENTED
HUH?
BUT WHOEVER'S ERA IT IS

THERE'S ROOM AT THE TOP FOR ONLY A FEW..
GORANS... THAT'S HOW IT IS
Q!""
...!!


THE LEAGUE'S MASTERS, OYUMA... AND DT.....
D T GORAN'S.....
AND NOW ME.....
I WONDER WHY.....
DT BROKE OFF HIS HORNS...


HUH
OI!!
JUST WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN!!
HEY—HEY—
WHAT'S WITH THIS SCORE?
73
INOUE TAKEHIKO
BUZZER BEATER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SWALLOWS
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DT IS BACK
EARTH'S LEADER AT POINT GUARDS
BUT IT'S TOO LATE!!
THE GAME WAS
HUH?
JUST WATCH
DT
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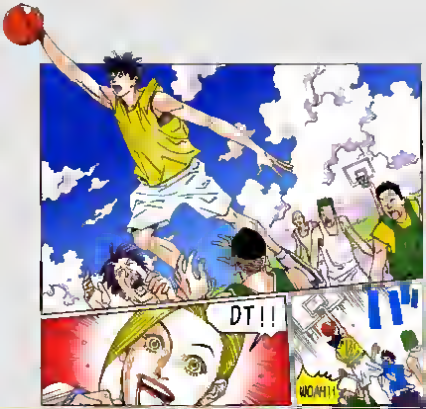
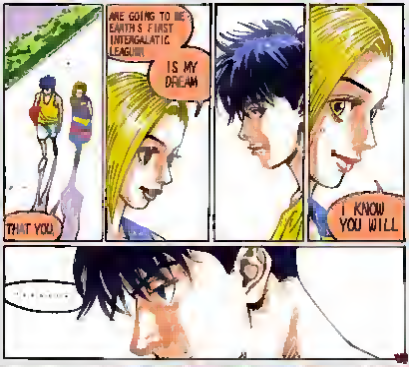
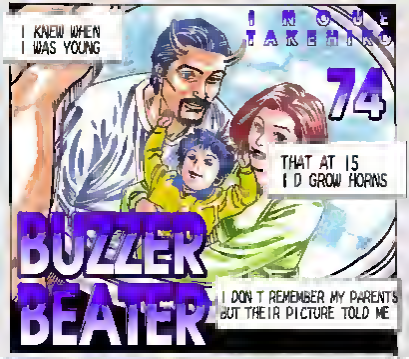

DT!!
WOAH!!


THAT YOU.
ARE GOING TO BE EARTH'S FIRST INTERGALATIC LEAGUER
IS MY DREAM
I KNOW YOU WILL.


I KNEW WHEN I WAS YOUNG
INOUE TAKEHIKO
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THAT AT 15 I'D GROW HORNS
BUZZER BEATER
I DON'T REMEMBER MY PARENTS BUT THEIR PICTURE TOLD ME

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
...!
I WAS WORRIED BECAUSE YOU WOULDN'T SEE ME
WHY ARE THE LIGHTS OFF?

I...
I'LL BE THE FIRST "HUMAN" INTERGALACTIC LEAGUER
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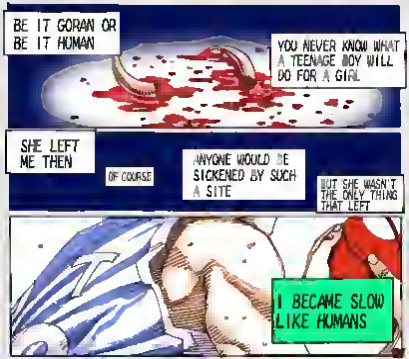
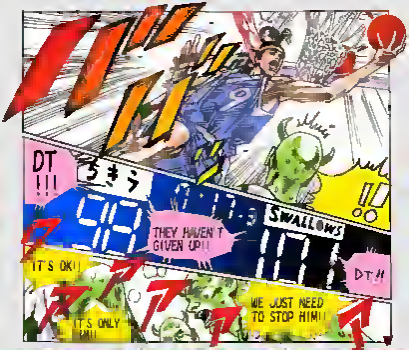

BE IT GORAN OR BE IT HUMAN
YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT A TEENAGE BOY WILL DO FOR A GIRL
SHE LEFT ME THEN
OF COURSE
ANYONE WOULD BE SICKENED BY SUCH A SITE
BUT SHE WASN'T THE ONLY THING THAT LEFT
I BECAME SLOW LIKE HUMANS


DT
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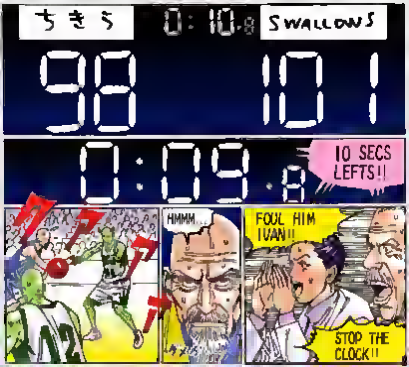
うぎゃ
SWALLOWS
THEY HAVEN'T GIVEN UP!!!
!!
DT!!
IT'S OK!!
IT'S ONLY HIM!!
WE JUST NEED TO STOP HIM!!

HAH!HAHAHA!!! TO STRUGGLE AGAINST THESE GUNS...
HUMANS ARE SO WEAK!!!
WHA?

...BUT TRY, AND MAKE IT INTO THE PROS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SWALLOWS
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10 SECS LEFTS!!
HMMM...
FOUL HIM IVAN!!
STOP THE CLOCK!!

DAMN...
!!
BUZZER BEATER
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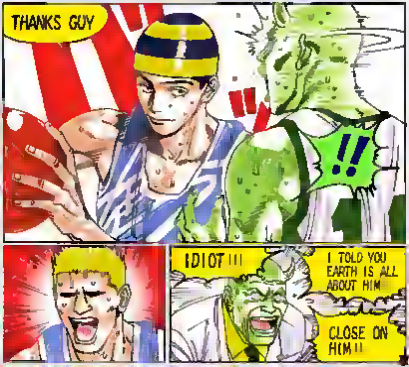
INOUE
TAKEHIKO


THANKS GUY
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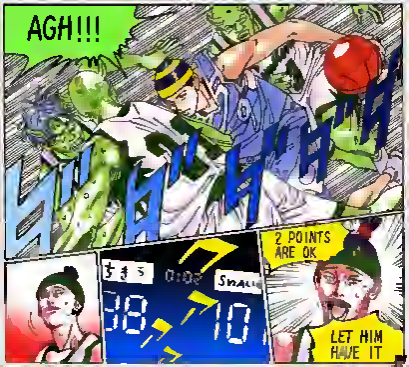
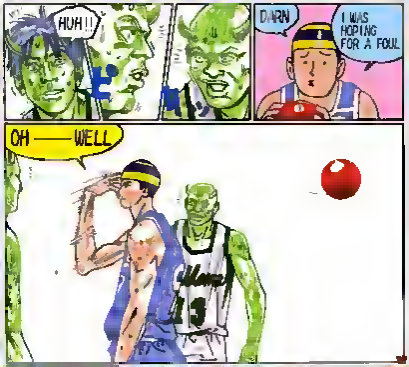
IDIOT !!!
I TOLD YOU EARTH IS ALL ABOUT HIM
CLOSE ON HIM !!


AGH!!!
2 POINTS ARE OK
LET HIM HAVE IT


HUH!!
DARN
I WAS HOPING FOR A FOUL
OH —— WELL
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CRAP!!
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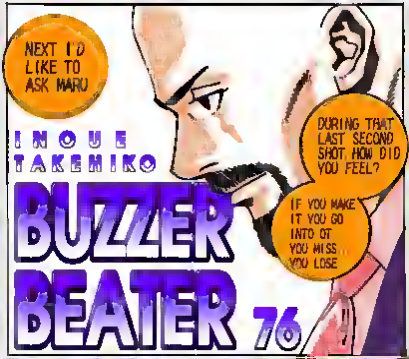
NEXT I'D LIKE TO ASK MARU
DURING THAT LAST SECOND SHOT, HOW DID YOU FEEL?
IF YOU MAKE IT YOU GO INTO OT. YOU MISS, YOU LOSE
INOUE TAKEHIKO
BUZZER BEATER
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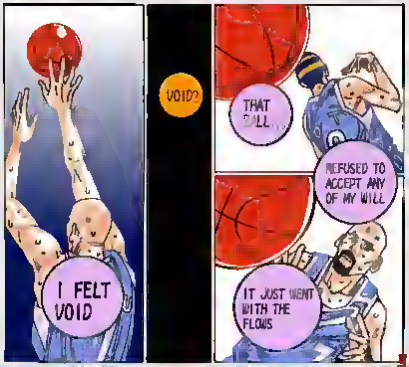
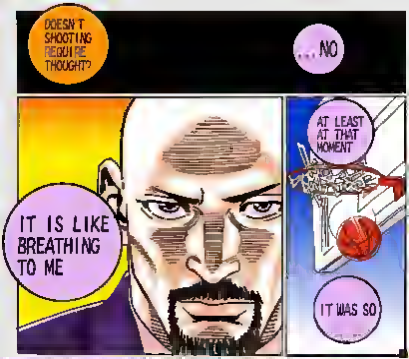
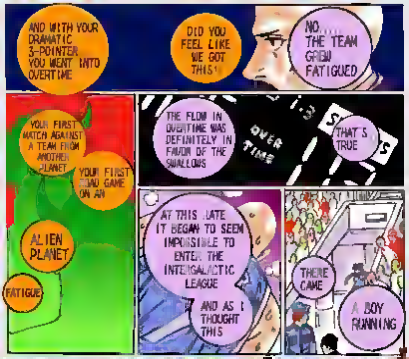
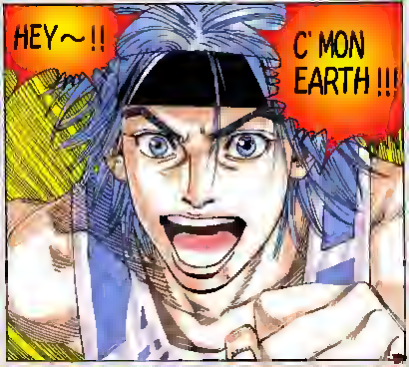

I FELT VOID
VOID?
THAT BALL...
REFUSED TO ACCEPT ANY OF MY WILL...
IT JUST WENT WITH THE FLOWS

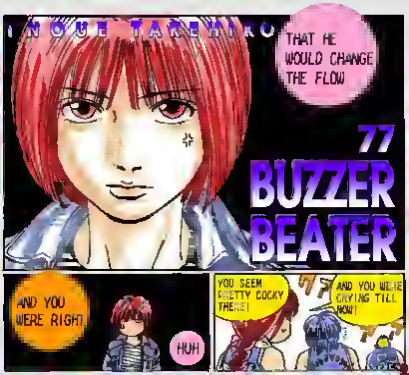

DOESN'T SHOOTING REGGIE THOUGHT?
...NO
IT IS LIKE BREATHING TO ME
AT LEAST AT THAT MOMENT
IT WAS SO

SHOOTING MOTION IMPARTS SPIN TO THE BALL'S TRAJECTORY
AND WITH JUST THAT AMOUNT OF THOUGHT
THE VOID IS BROKEN
A PASS WHICH MADE ALL OF THAT NULL
THAT ONE SECOND
I WAS TRULY IN "DREAM TIME"


AND WITH YOUR DRAMATIC 3-POINTER, YOU WENT INTO OVERTIME
DID YOU FEEL LIKE WE GOT THIS?
NO... THE TEAM GREW FATIGUED.
YOUR FIRST MATCH AGAINST A TEAM FROM ANOTHER PLANET
YOUR FIRST ROAD GAME ON AN
ALIEN PLANET
FATIGUE
THE FLOW IN OVERTIME WAS DEFINITELY IN FAVOR OF THE SWALLOWS
OVER TIME
THAT'S TRUE
AT THIS RATE IT BEGAN TO SEEM IMPOSSIBLE TO ENTER THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE
AND AS I THOUGHT THIS
THERE CAME
A BOY RUNNING


HEY~!!
C' MON
EARTH !!!

HATE TO SAY IT
BUT IF WE LOSE NOW
WE ARE SAYING GOODBYE TO THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUES!!
I HAD A BAD FEELING....
HUH? HOW IS THAT?


INOUE TAKEHIKO
THAT HE WOULD CHANGE THE FLOW
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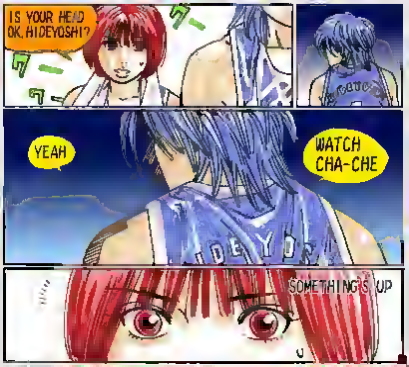
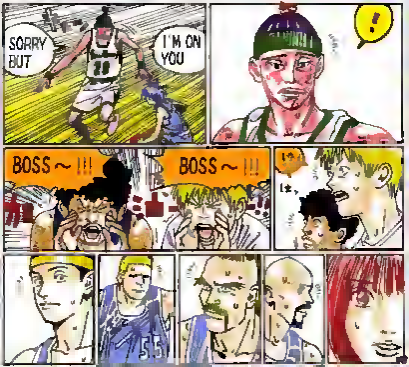
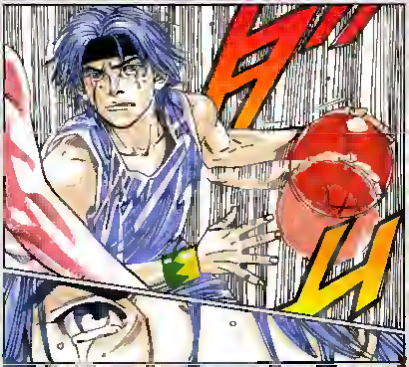
BUZZER BEATER
AND YOU WERE RIGHT
HUH
YOU SEEM PRETTY COCKY THERE!
AND YOU WERE CRYING TILL NOW!


IS YOUR HEAD OK, HIDEYOSHI?
YEAH
WATCH CHA-CHE
SOMETHING'S UP


SORRY BUT
I'M ON YOU
!
BOSS～!!!
BOSS～!!!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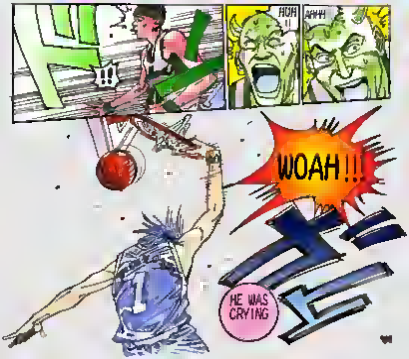
HUH
!!
AHHH
!!!
WOAH!!!
HE WAS CRYING

HIDEYOSHI
!
HIDEYOSHI
!!
HIDEYOSHI
!!!

HIDEYOSHI DOMINATED OVERTIME
YEAH.
INOUE TAKEHIKO
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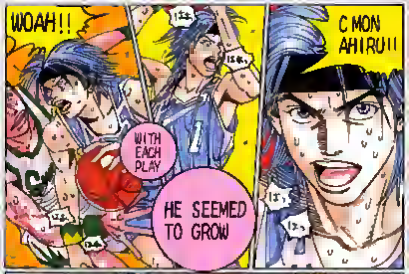
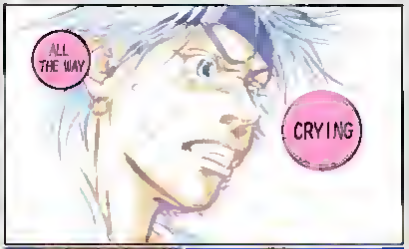
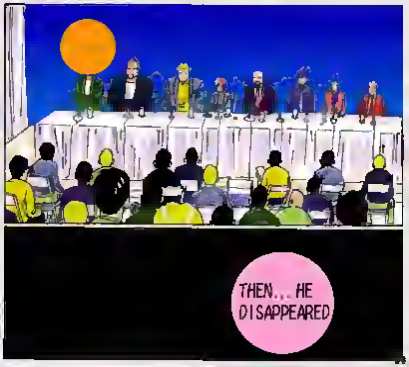
BUZZER BEATER


WOAH!!
WITH EACH PLAY
HE SEEMED TO GROW
C'MON AHIRU!!!
I GOT THAT FEELING
WAS THAT AN ILLUSION?

DURING OVERTIME HIDEYOSHI SCORED ALL THE POINTS CORRECT?
THERE WERE OTHERS WHO PASSED, PUT ASSISTS, GET REBOUNDS
DON'T FORGET THEY MAKE THE POINTS POSSIBLE
...BUT
IT IS TRUE HIDEYOSHI CARRIED THE TEAM
CARRIED THEM TO VICTORY


ALL THE WAY
CRYING

WE BECAME
GOOD FRIENDS


THEN... HE DISAPPEARED

INOUE TAKEHIKO
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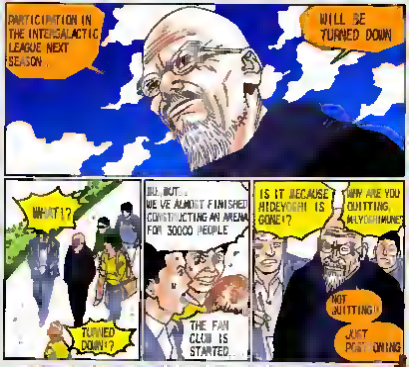
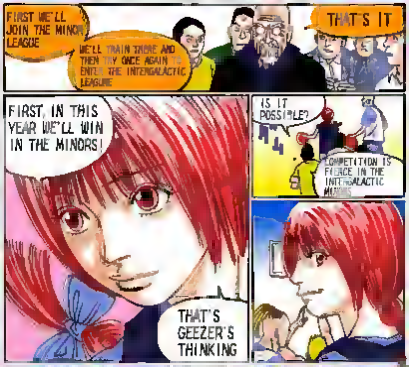
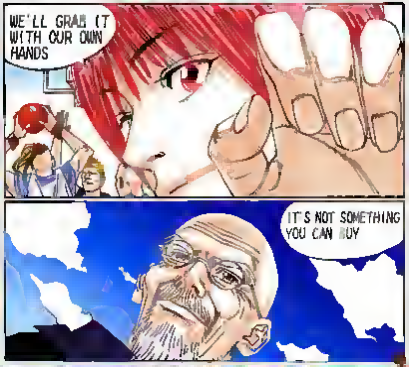
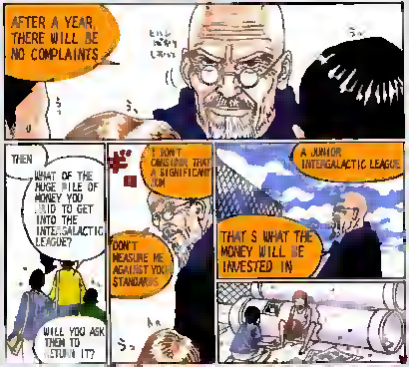
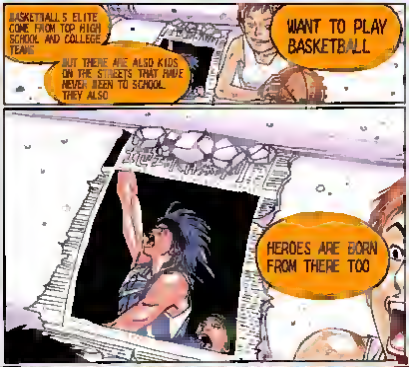
BUZZER BEATER


PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE NEXT SEASON...
WILL BE TURNED DOWN
WHAT!?
TURNED DOWN!?
SU..BUT... WE'VE ALMOST FINISHED CONSTRUCTING AN ARENA FOR 50000 PEOPLE
THE FAN CLUB IS STARTED.
IS IT BECAUSE HIDEYOSHI IS GONE!?
WHY ARE YOU QUITTING, MR.YOSHIMUNE?
NOT QUITTING!!
JUST RESIGNING


FIRST WE'LL JOIN THE MINORS LEAGUE
WE'LL TRAIN THERE AND THEN TRY ONCE AGAIN TO ENTER THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE
THAT'S IT
FIRST IN THIS YEAR WE'LL WIN IN THE MINORS!
THAT'S GEEZER'S THINKING
IS IT POSSIBLE?
COMPETITION IS FIERCE IN THE INTERGALACTIC MINORS


WE'LL GRAB IT WITH OUR OWN HANDS
IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU CAN BUY


AFTER A YEAR, THERE WILL BE NO COMPLAINTS
THEN
WHAT OF THE HUGE WILL OF MONEY YOU USED TO GET INTO THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE?
WILL YOU ASK THEM TO RETURN IT?
I DON'T CONSIDER THAT A SIGNIFICANT SUM
DON'T MEASURE ME AGAINST YOU STANDARDS
A JUNIOR INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE
THAT'S WHAT THE MONEY WILL BE INVESTED IN


BASKETBALL'S ELITE COME FROM TOP HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE TEAMS
BUT THERE ARE ALSO KIDS ON THE STREETS THAT HAVE NEVER BEEN TO SCHOOL. THEY ALSO
WANT TO PLAY BASKETBALL
HEROES ARE BORN FROM THERE TOO

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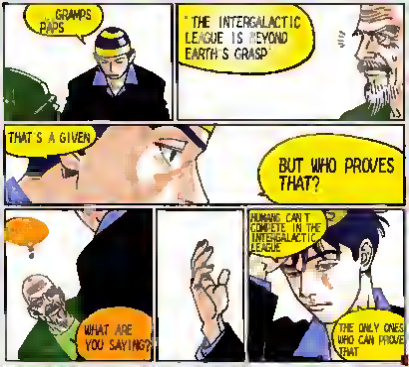
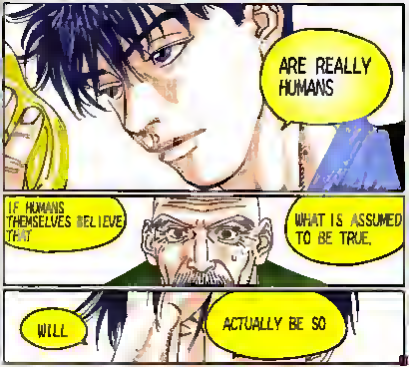
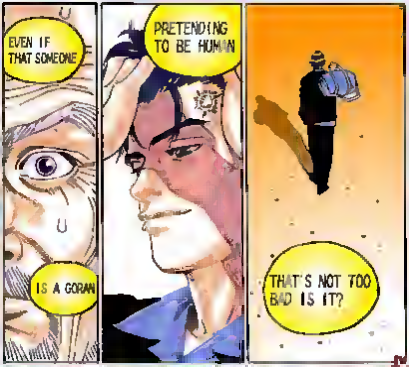
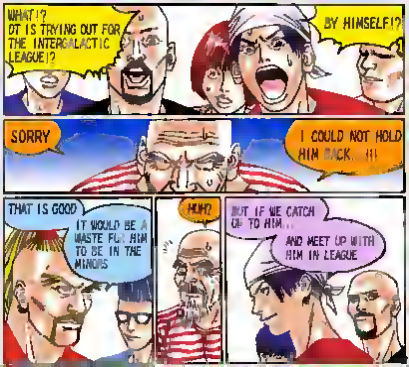
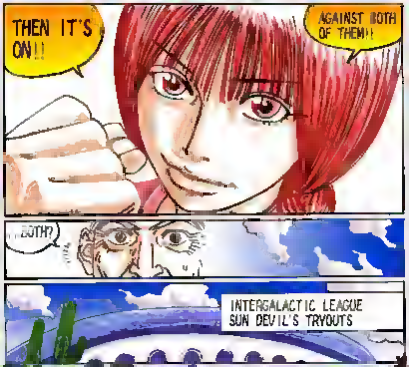
INOUE TAKEHIKO
BUZZER BEATER
I CAN'T ACCEPT IT
I WON'T ACCEPT IT!!!
EARTH S TEAM WITHOUT WINNING THE MINORS
CAN YOU THINK OF IT? IT!!


GRAMPS PAPS
"THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE IS BEYOND EARTH'S GRASP"
THAT'S A GIVEN
BUT WHO PROVES THAT?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
HUMANS CAN'T COMPETE IN THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE
THE ONLY ONES WHO CAN PROVE THAT

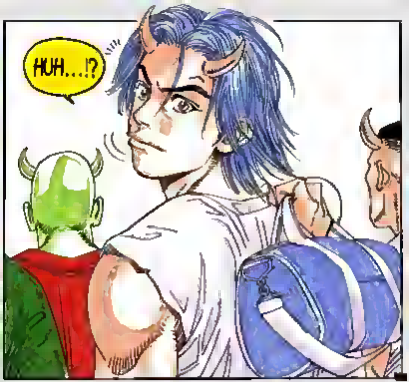

ARE REALLY HUMANS
IF HUMANS THEMSELVES BELIEVE THAT
WHAT IS ASSUMED TO BE TRUE,
WILL
ACTUALLY BE SO


EVEN IF THAT SOMEONE
IS A GORAN
PRETENDING TO BE HUMAN
THAT'S NOT TOO BAD IS IT?


WHAT!? OT IS TRYING OUT FOR THE INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE!?
BY HIMSELF!?
SORRY
I COULD NOT HOLD HIM BACK... !!!
THAT IS GOOD
IT WOULD BE A WASTE FOR HIM TO BE IN THE MINORS
HUH?
BUT IF WE CATCH UP TO HIM...
AND MEET UP WITH HIM IN LEAGUE


THEN IT'S ON!!
AGAINST BOTH OF THEM!!
...BOTH?
INTERGALACTIC LEAGUE
SUN DEVIL'S TRYOUTS

HAHAHA!!
YOU'RE TOO BIG
POINT NOW!!



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